

NEXT GOP GOAL IS WHITE HOUSE

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They did express strong opposition to any program which would take their children out of neighborhood schools and carry them to buildings several miles away.

The occasion was a meeting among Fairplain residents and school district administrators. Several hundred persons filled the bleachers and additional chairs set up in the Fairplain junior high school gymnasium.

School Superintendent Albert C. Johnsen was asked by one resident if Fairplain children will be bused to other schools in the future. Johnsen indicated he could not give a definite answer now.

Johnson said very little official discussion had so far been given to the possibility. He added that no answer could be given until the board of education tackles every aspect of the matter.

JOINT CONSOLIDATION

Fairplain is an upper middle class white suburb which formerly was a school district by itself. Fairplain and 15 other districts voted to consolidate into the Benton Harbor district in 1965.

Throughout the two-hour meeting, general sentiments favored the building of schools, as needed, to enable all children to attend classes in their home neighborhoods.

One woman drew applause, however, when she reminded that for years, Fairplain had spent money on good schools, but stopped short of a senior high school. She noted that Fairplain then depended on Benton Harbor senior high school's education programs.

She added that she has taught in the old Fairplain district and in the consolidated Benton Harbor district and has found her administrators fair with all her complaints. As to good education, she continued, fair, but strict discipline in the classroom is good in any school.

VOICE FEARS

The anti-bus element was not soothed, however, and several citizens said they feared that Fairplain children would not get as good an education in other district schools. These citizens emphasized that the education level in Fairplain is high.

"Will we maintain our level of education in Fairplain by busing students in and out?" asked one person.

The answer was a chorus of "no's."

The main concern stemmed from a belief that by busing in students, the day will come when Fairplain schools will become overcrowded with the resultant busing out of Fairplain in the future.

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McNamara Urges Draft Lottery

Calls Present System Unfair

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara says a national lottery would help eliminate deficiencies of the present draft system.

In an interview published in the Harvard Crimson Wednesday, McNamara called the current draft methods unsuitable.

"We draft the oldest first," he said. "It's never clear exactly at what age one will be subject to the draft. This makes very difficult the planning of one's life."

McNamara said every 19-year-old should be subjected to the lottery. At age 19, a young man's name would be drawn from a pool. In case of deferment, McNamara said, his name would go back in the pool at the end of the deferred period.

With a lottery, he said, "every man would know precisely where he stood."

McNamara made the remarks in a weekend interview while visiting Harvard University's John Fitzgerald Kennedy Institute of Politics for a series of informal seminars.

Viet Cong Start Gas Warfare

Hurl Special Grenades At GI's

By PETER ARNETT
SAIGON, South Viet Nam (AP) — A U.S. 1st Infantry Division patrol was attacked with Viet Cong gas grenades today, a division spokesman said. It was the first reported use of gas by the enemy in the Viet Nam war.

The patrol had established its ambush pattern five miles northeast of Suoi Tien in the matted swamp and woodland of War Zone C. Americans have reported more than 800 enemy dead in a week of hard fighting against the Viet Cong 9th Division in that area, 65 miles northwest of Saigon.

The members of the patrol, believed to number 30, donned gas masks which are their standard equipment, the division spokesman said.

Field officers told Associated Press photographer Horst Faas, who reported the incident, that the nature of the gas used against the patrol was not known. American and South Vietnamese forces have in some cases used nonlethal tear gas against Communist troops.

About 1,200 gas grenades were found among 19,000 grenades uncovered by infantrymen sweeping an enemy regimental command and supply complex Wednesday.

DETROIT (AP) — Bendix Corp. announced Wednesday record earnings during the fiscal year ended Sept. 30. Earnings were \$38.7 million, or \$3.28 a share, on sales of \$1.05 billion, Bendix chairman A. P. Fontaine said.

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doz. Jewel Foods, Benton Harbor.

Come Out and Enjoy Yourself.
TGIF Captain's Table Inn, every
Fri. at 4:30 p.m. Adv.



UNION STREET CANAL: Don Deckert, 1485 Union street, Fairplain, avoided wet feet by paddling a kayak to his mail box Wednesday. Two and a half inches of rain in 36 hours made Union street look more like a navigable canal than a thoroughfare for vehicles.

But cheer up! It could have amounted to 25 inches of snow. When not paddling a kayak, Deckert is a compositor for this newspaper. (Staff photo)

NOW IT'LL TURN TO ICE

Rain that was measured at 2½ inches at Ross field airport in the Twin Cities since election day afternoon came to an end in Southwestern Michigan this morning as colder air moved into the area. The weather bu-

reau predicted lows of 25 to 33 degrees in the area tonight, and continuing cold weather Friday. Ross field officials reported 1½ inches of rain there last night, and that another inch had been measured from late Tuesday

through yesterday. The rain was fairly general over the entire area, according to reports. Growers said the rainfall would help make up a deficit of soil moisture that has been developing through

most of the fall season. Temperatures which ranged in the 40s, 50s and even the low 60s since last week's snowfall melted on the weekend, broke sharply this morning as a cold front

moved in. The mercury dropped from 55 at 3:45 a.m. to 38 at 8 a.m. The weather bureau is predicting new snow flurries in northern and eastern Michigan Friday or Saturday.

Drums Sound For Romney-In-'68

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Texan Re-Oiling '64 Machinery

By AL SANDNER
Associated Press Writer

DETROIT (AP) — They're unpacking the leftover presidential campaign literature, buttons and bumper stickers and bringing a presidential draft machine out of mothballs for Republican Gov. George Romney.

Romney is the man who:

— Won a third term as Michigan governor with the largest plurality in state history, despite the fact that Tuesday's was an off-year election.

— Helped U.S. Sen. Robert Griffin defeat former six-term Democratic Gov. G. Mennen Williams, who had the blessing of the Kennedys and the heavy backing of labor in this labor-heavy state.

— Is highly complimented

that so many people are thinking of me in this way, but I haven't made a decision ... you'll know when I make it.

He refused to go any further.

But he did comment on one national issue: The war in Viet Nam.

A reporter asked what effect Romney thought the war had on the election.

"That's difficult to say,"

Romney replied before glancing down at a prepared statement or notes, calling it "one

of the most complex problems

in the world today."

He said: "I have not yet been able to sit down and study this question in sufficient depth to make specific proposals."

MANY CALLERS

In the hours following his election, Romney called, or was called by, California Gov.-elect Ronald Reagan, Oregon Sen.-elect Mark Hatfield, Illinois Sen.-elect Charles Percy, New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller, Massachusetts Sen.-elect Edward Brooke, New York May.-or John Lindsay.

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Zimmermann, who has never

been in direct contact with Romney, said he also is trying to get in touch with someone close to the Michigan governor.

PLACARDS APPEAR

Forward-looking bumper stickers and placards blossomed forth at Romney's election headquarters late Tuesday.

Romney and his staff disclaimed all knowledge of them, but reporters noted that the demonstration was carefully planned and coordinated, the placards were of a uniform, professional quality.

The sign carriers waited patiently in the wings until Romney was ready to claim victory, and one sign bearer told a reporter who asked to see her sign:

"We aren't supposed to show them until they say when."

Zimmermann said he had nothing to do with them.

At his first post-election news conference, Romney dis-

missed the chief of staff, the

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unity with Reagan, hinting at</p

Editorials

What Course Now For LBJ?

Tuesday's resurgence for the G.O.P. raises the natural question of how President Johnson will react to it.

A simple reply from the statistician is to ask why raise the question at all. When has an Administration suffered either an outright setback such as Eisenhower did in 1958 or the normal diminution in its Congressional strength during an off year election re-set its sails to any noticeable degree?

The answer is never.

The approach has been to continue on the same theme which the Administration first embarked; and, if anything, the tendency has been for the White House to bear down harder than ever on its original compass heading. The thesis is that the public erroneously read the President's first intentions or, as is a common occurrence, became embroiled in local squabbles having no bearing on national issues.

This would be the easy attack for Johnson. By the head count, the G.O.P. has cut into his Congressional majority to some extent, but on numbers alone, there still are a lot more Democrats in the House and Senate than the Republicans can muster.

Johnson realized all along that the fantastic majority he pulled into Congress two years ago because of the Goldwater backlash would be cut; and that the '66 campaign reduced itself to the courtesy of trying to keep as many of the new faces as possible on for a second term.

So, in a sense, LBJ can say that while some of his coattail riders won't be on the payroll after the January call to order for the 90th Congress, still he did not lose too many of them.

If numbers alone are to be considered, LBJ retains a working majority for the Great Society and whatever other goals he has sighted. It may be less than the 89th provided, but it is comfortable.

This arithmetic presupposes a unanimity within LBJ's Congressional entourage which might prove disconcerting.

First of all, he has lost 45 or so faithful attendants, most of them first termers from the '64 election, who were beholden to the President for their very existence at Washington. Their Republican replacements hold the opposite of that fealty, thus doubling automatically the loss which the public wrote down at the polls two days ago.

Secondly, the gubernatorial defeats sustained by the Democrats, particularly those dramatic ones in California, Minnesota and New York, weaken the Democratic home front; and regardless of what the Administration may say or do at Washington, it will be playing to hostile audiences in many states.

Finally, there is a reasonable doubt as to the solidarity of the Democratic front itself. Specifically, we have in mind many Southern Democrats whose position in the party is antagonistic to LBJ or any other standard bearer who waves the civil rights flag with vigor. LBJ has alternated in his reaction to those gentry, swaying from avoidance to outright browbeating. Since many Southerners still seriously contend the South never really lost the Civil War, it is reasonable to think those Congressmen may retain some doubts about their party chieftain. They may not be as excitable as Governor Wallace, but their skins are sensitive to affront.

If nothing else, LBJ is a positivist. Unlike Eisenhower who never allowed a dissident to raise his blood pressure to where the public could take a reading on it, Johnson, unless he feels resignation may be the better strategy, is apt to counterattack at once.

One thrust could be an olive branch tendered to the conservatives and nonbelievers in his own party, reminding them in his "press the flesh" style that after all is said and done a Democrat is a Democrat and a Republican is an enemy, so why fight amongst ourselves?

Opposed to this Texas barbecue type of consensus could be some dashing maneuvers in foreign policy which might heat up the Viet Nam war several degrees above its present temperature and set the stage for putting the country into the type of straight jacket which had to be worn during World War II and to a lesser degree in the Korean conflict.

Tuesday's vote was not an outright repudiation of LBJ. It was rather a notification that most Americans feel Johnson has been pushing them around the track at too fast a clip, that it is time to slow down a bit to see just where we are headed.

Most politicians dislike a rational assessment of an unfavorable verdict from the polling places and the more aggressive they are the greater lengths they reach to discount the result.

Johnson is a supremist in that regard and while we can only guess what steps he will take next, we're reasonably sure the fireworks display is just getting started.

Veterans Day, 1966

Only those who have reached middle age or passed it remember the actual sequence of events which took place 48 years ago. At the time, World War I had been won. Europe paused for a moment before going about the onerous task of picking up the pieces of its governments and its peoples.

Armistice Day, now renamed Veterans Day, was celebrated every November 11. During the next two decades the U.S. saw prosperity and depression. During the years of World War II, when American young men were buried within sight of cemeteries of World War I, the significance of the day was subordinated to more pressing problems.

Then came the Korean War in which the U.S. suffered 140,000 casualties. Another armistice. Today in Viet Nam, nearly 400,000 American fighting men, equipped with the most deadly weapons ever used in war, are fighting and dying.

Compared to the problems facing the nation today, the facts of life faced by America 48 years ago may seem, in retrospect, like child's play.

The precepts which were laid down as the basis of an anniversary on each November 11 for the past 48 years haven't changed basically. If the world's problems seem to have been dumped on the doorstep of America, it is no more than the nation asked for, and their solution awaits fulfillment of implied promises whether made rashly or wisely.

A Little Too Late

The British National Coal Board apparently didn't give a second thought to the danger of piles of slag from its mines that rear over many Welsh coal mining villages. It had always been that way.

A hundred years ago the slag piles started growing. They were there, so they were right.

Then in Aberfan, Wales, one 500-foot pile loosened and poured an avalanche of muck over a village school and homes. Nearly 200, most of them children, died in the needless tragedy.

"I want it recorded, 'Buried alive by the National Coal Board,'" demanded one man who lost his wife and two sons. The National Coal Board is offering all kinds of explanations for the tragedy; but it is also taking a careful look at other dangerous slag piles.

'ROUND AND 'ROUND



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EDITORIAL PAGE

Glancing Backwards —

HANDFUL OF VOTERS DEFEAT TAX FREEZE

—1 Year Ago—

In the lightest countywide election in modern memory, a 16.75 mill tax freeze-increase proposal was turned down in Berrien county yesterday by a modest margin. The unofficial counts was 3,665 Yes and 4,182 No. Slightly under 12 per cent of the estimated 70,000 registered voters in the county went to the polls to cast 7,847 ballots. The deficit was 517 votes.

County and school officials who backed the proposal to increase the property tax limit by 1/4 mills and to freeze the shares allotted to four local governmental units, said they felt the measure was "too complicated" to be well understood. Consequently, voters stayed away.

WARN FISHERMEN TOWERS UNMANNED

—10 Years Ago—

Chief Rex Coulson, St. Joseph Coast Guard station commander, today warned fishermen that the local station is going on limited duty for the winter months.

"The lookout tower will not be manned from Nov. 10 to April of next year," Coulson said.

CHURCHILL FORESEES U.S.-JAP WAR NEAR

—25 Years Ago—

Declaring bluntly that "we do not know whether the efforts of the United States to preserve peace in the Pacific will be successful," Prime Minister Churchill declared today that "if the United States should become involved in war with Japan, a British declaration would follow within an hour." The war, he warned, may soon spread to the remaining fourth of the globe.

Churchill asserted that "it would be rather dangerous for Japan to provoke gratuitously a struggle with the United States" in view, among other things of the importance of steel in modern warfare and the difference in the two nations' steel production.

SKATING RINK

—55 Years Ago—

A number of citizens gathered at the Congregational church to

discuss plans for a public skating park on the north side. The Rev. A.H. Stoneman acted as chairman and Capt. Lloyd Clark was named as a committee of one to look after the setting of electric light poles. The skating park will be on its old location and will be flooded as soon as weather conditions permit.

Letters To The Editor

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

POINSETTIA DAY

Again observing National Poinsettia Day in the twin cities, Friday, Nov. 11, and Saturday, Nov. 12, honoring Veterans Day, Mothers of World War II will sell tiny poinsettias to raise money for rehabilitating war veterans.

These poinsettias are made by our hospitalized veterans and are sold to commemorate American sons and daughters who gave their lives for their country.

Funds are needed to promote and supplement this program of rehabilitation. All proceeds from this sale of these tiny flowers goes entirely for the needs of our many veterans in our hospitals in Michigan.

The public, despite the many demands made upon it, has been most generous in its contributions in the past years. We hope they will respond as generously again this year.

Boys coming into our hospitals from Viet Nam makes it especially necessary now. Let's help to brighten the days through support of this worthy program.

ALMA FRAKES,
Unit 1, Rec. Sect.,
ELLEN LUNDEEN,
Chairman,
DOROTHY DEPALMA,
Co-chairman.

Inside Washington

By HENRY CATHCART

things they buy move a little further beyond the reach of their pocketbooks each week.

But one key to political success is to awaken voters to one issue on which your side is strong so that they will vote on that issue and brush aside equally important but less dramatic matters that should enter any voter's weighing of the pros and cons.

Even if a political strategist did not originate the food strike idea, there is little doubt now that the benefits to one political party are clear. If women are aware enough of high prices to strike against them, they are aware enough to vote against them. And that means voting against the economic policies of the Democratic administration in Washington.

But some deep thinkers in political circles suspect the ladies might indeed have been taken in. How better to dramatize the inflation issue on the eve of a national election, if political strategists were of a mind to? And, if indeed this was the case, which political party would benefit?

True, the inflation issue cuts across party lines — Democratic women and Republican women are equally aware of rising prices, and presumably equally irate at seeing the

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TRY AND STOP ME

By BENNETT CERF

An eastern visitor turned up at a big cattle ranch in Montana and asked the owner what he called the layout. "Our family had quite a fight over just that subject," admitted the ranch owner, "and we ended up by trying to please everybody. So this here ranch is named the Triple-X, Lucky Seven, Diamond T Bar, Lazy Mary Ranch." "That's quite a name," chuckled the visitor, "but where are all the cattle?" "Ain't none," sighed the owner. "Not one of them critters has survived the branding."

Alan King claims that on a Sunday evening his wife watches "What's My Line" (good girl, she!) the news, the Late Show, the Late, Late Show, sings the "Star-Spangled Banner," then watches the station's test pattern until it finally fades from view. That's the moment when she turns her attention to Alan, "If they left it to me," adds Mr. King, "they'd have television 24 hours a day."

FISH STORIES. . . Americans consume one pound of fish

for every 17 pounds of meat; in protein value, fish is just as nourishing as meat. . . Some fish in streams feed exclusively on seeds dropped from trees overhanging the water. . . Many sharks, unlike most fish, give birth to living young. . . The 150-ton blue whale is large than the largest dinosaur of prehistoric times. . . Most fish travel widely, but the goldfish is the only fish that travels around the globe. And thank you, Mr. Himmell!

Features

speaking of YOUR HEALTH

By Lester L. Coleman, M. D.

Our 15-year-old daughter was having difficulty in her studies. She became depressed and moody and simply stopped talking to us, her parents, and to her older brother. With the help of the school psychologist she was finally convinced that she needed some emotional help.

We are happy that she consented but we have been in total darkness since she began seeing a psychotherapist four months ago. We can't understand why we cannot have any talks with her doctor to find out how she is. Don't we, as parents, deserve the comfort of knowing that our child's condition is not a serious one and is being correctly treated?

Mrs. K.B. Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. B.: As parents you have been remarkably wise to direct your daughter to someone who could give her the emotional support she needs. It takes a great deal of insight for parents to realize that they cannot, without bias, solve their own child's problem.

The first step towards her recovery from the periods of depression has been made by her with your help. Now you must be patient.

There are some schools of psychiatry that believe in bringing the family into the picture and openly discussing all phases of their child's condition, with them. There are many more schools of thought which insist that the greatest progress can be made, if the relationship between the doctor and his patient does not immediately include the rest of the family.

CONTRACT BRIDGE . . .

By B. Jay Becker

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ K 7 4
♦ Q 9 5
♦ J 9 2
♦ Q 7 5

WEST EAST
♦ Q 10 3 ♠ 9 6 2
♦ 6 ♠ 8 4
♦ K Q 8 7 6 5 ♦ 4
♦ 9 3 ♠ K J 8 6 4

SOUTH
♦ A 8
♦ A K J 10 7 2
♦ A 10 3
♦ 10 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ 2 ♦ 2 ♠ 3 ♣ 4 ♠

Opening lead — nine of clubs. Let's say you're declarer with the South hand at four hearts. West leads a club, which you duck, and East wins the trick with the jack. East next cashes the ace of clubs and shifts to a diamond.

This is a disappointing development because, if East had led the third round of clubs, you would have been able to guarantee the contract by means of an elimination play.

You would have ruffed the third club high, drawn two rounds of trumps, cashed the A-K of spades, ruffed a spade, cross to dummy with a trump, and then lead the queen of clubs.

When East covers with the king, you discard a diamond deliberately losing a trick you could have won. This forces East to return a spade or a club; in either case you make the contract, discarding your last diamond as dummy ruffs the return.

today's GRAB BAG . . .

By Ruth Ramsey, Central Press Writer

THE ANSWER, QUICK!

1. When did the Holocene geological period begin?
2. Where was Alexander the Great born?

3. Where did he die?
4. Where was he buried?
5. When was the Stars and Stripes flag adopted by Congress?

YOUR FUTURE

Be warned of deception by colleagues and competitors. Today's child will have a friendly disposition.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

DEMOLISH — (di-MOLL-ish) — verb; to throw or pull; down; reduce to ruins, destroy, ruin utterly, lay waste; to put an end to.

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day in 1919, the American Legion held its first national convention in Minneapolis, Minn.

IT'S BEEN SAID

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ST. JOSEPH, MICH., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1966

VAN BUREN SUPERVISORS AGAIN IN HARMONY

Ross Field
Project
Up \$3,500Board Approves
New Figure; Total
Now \$361,195

A \$3,500 increase in funds for the proposed lighting system at Ross field was approved by the Michigan Aeronautics Commission meeting in the new terminal at the Twin Cities airport yesterday. Total project is now estimated at \$361,195.

The commission, which usually meets in Lansing, held its November session in Benton Harbor. It was a return visit after about six years.

Members of the commission headed by Chairman Harold R. Boyer, of Detroit, arrived late yesterday morning by plane, had lunch with members of the Twin Cities Airport board at Point O' Woods, met for several hours in the board room of the new terminal and then were guests of airport board members and Twin Cities civic leaders at Berrien Hills for dinner.

The total lighting project for



STATE AERONAUTICS COMMISSION: The Aeronautics Commission met in the board room of the new Ross field terminal yesterday. Clockwise from left are Britton L. Gordon, Grand Rapids; Arnold C. Peterson, Lansing; C. J. Reese, Muskegon; Jackson K. Beatty, Mt. Pleasant; Chairman Harold R. Boyer.

Detroit; James D. Ramsey, Lansing; Mrs. Henry C. Hoffman, Lansing; Frederick E. Tripp, Lansing, and L. C. Andrews, Lansing. The group inspected the new Ross field terminal, built with local and state matching funds. (Staff photo)

Ross field includes lighting facilities for the east-west runway, a taxi strip area and extension of runways. The project has been approved and funds have been allocated. However, since bidding on the project was higher than anticipated because of rising costs,

the state was prompted to increase its share rather than have the whole plan shelved. The project increase for Ross field was one of several approved yesterday. The commission approved a \$7,500 increase for Livingston county airport at Howell for paving an area to be used as a site for a new hangar; Kalkaska airport received \$1,000 on a matching fund basis for seeding runways and Sault Ste. Marie got \$6,300 to develop a master plan for the airport.

'FLY-IN' CAMP: The commission heard reports on the progress of improvement jobs at Alma and Port Huron, studied the possibility of developing a fly-in campground somewhere in Northern Michigan and checked possibilities of getting surplus items from the federal government.

A program of painting runways was outlined to the board. The Aeronautics department assists airports in marking runways, assigning one technician and painting equipment. Twin Cities airport is included in the program. Fifty-three airports have had runways painted in this program since 1964.

Another new program under study is effectiveness of using automatic counters to check runway traffic. These counters have been installed at six airports in Michigan. In checks so far the counters recorded 35 percent more than was shown on flight reports.

The counters are placed at the ends of runways where pilots most frequently check aircraft before taking off. The commission is anxious to have complete figures on airport operations in planning and improvements. Pilots frequently fail to file flight reports, especially for local trips or "around the airport" spins.

Berea also discussed the current high school program with the school board members, noting both strong points and weak points in the curriculum.

PARENTS VS. POLICE

The policy was adopted by the school board concerning questioning of students by police officials which states that no student may be interviewed in school unless the parents have given prior permission.

The board indicated that behavior problems of students is a concern of the parents, and that parents should be informed by police if a student is to be questioned.

The board was also notified that the contract between the welfare department and the American Legion hospital for hospital care of welfare and social aid patients had been cancelled, because of a jump in rates charged by the hospital.

Frank Terrell was appointed dog warden for the county for the coming year. No action was taken on suggestions for changing the lines of authority of the job.

SCHNAKE COMMENDED

A resolution of appreciation and commendation was passed by the board for James Schnake, South Haven township supervisor, who did not seek re-election this year.

A resolution was also passed concerning the trip made by the board last month in touring the county roads as guests of the Legion.

A donation of \$500 was made to the Southwest Michigan Growers experimental farm at Sodus, and approval was given for the social welfare department to pave the parking lot and driveway of the site near Hartford, at a cost not to exceed \$2,244.

Bills of \$16,051.87 were authorized for payment.

OWNERS OF CENTENNIAL FARM: Lawrence Adams, along with his three sons is pictured with the marker recently placed on his farm in Toquin by the Michigan Historical Commission in recognition of property owned by the same family for over one hundred years. Pictured (left to right) are: Richard, Lawrence (Sid), Thomas and William Adams. (Marion Leedy photo)

'CENTURY TO GO'

Farm In Toquin Wears Its
Centennial Sign Proudly

BY MARION LEEDY
Coloma Correspondent

HARTFORD — The Lawrence Adams farm, located on County road 376 in Toquin, was recently marked by the Michigan Historical Commission as one of over 2,000 in Michigan owned by the same family for over 100 years.

Records show that Moses Smedley Hawley, who was born in Ontario County, New York in 1812, filed claim to the 160 acres in 1856.

Hawley and his wife Marie came to Michigan in 1845 after he completed his education at Hamilton College, New York.

A teaching career for Hawley began in St. Joseph and after acquiring the property he taught in schools in Ypsilanti, served as principal of a high school in South Haven and taught at the Albion seminary.

Professor Hawley, as he was known, served as supervisor in Bangor township, a justice of the peace and a school inspector. The community named its school district, school house and community church after him. He served as a lay minister at the Hawley Community church.

The house built by Hawley is now occupied by the Adams family and has undergone very little change. A veranda and ornamental porches and number of chimneys have been removed and the siding has been replaced. Minor interior changes have been made, one

being the eliminating of doors, according to Adams. Some of the rooms had as many as five doors in them, he said.

FAST BANNISTER

One unique feature of the old house is a winding stairway located in the confines of a small narrow room with doors at each end leading to the kitchen and living room. The solid walnut banister, which is in one piece, is said to have been brought into the house completely assembled. The late Mrs. Adams had planned to have partitions removed so the attractive banister could be seen from the living room, but the plan never materialized.

Adams recalls that the banister has always been an attraction to the family children, although landing against the post at the bottom often resulted in tears.

"It is a real fast one," Adams said, and he admitted his information was based on experience.

The back room, which was the original kitchen, had a fireplace in it and the overhead loft suggests possible sleeping quarters.

Hawley died in 1894 and his

property was inherited by his son, Mills G., a daughter, Harriet B. and two grandchildren. The old family will, dated Oct. 26, 1892 and still in the family's possession, bequeathed "To my only daughter, Harriet B., the cow she calls hers and the silver mare used by her

mother, my beloved wife." The rest of his personal property was divided equally with one third going to his children and one sixth to his grandchildren.

NEW NAME

In 1899 Hawley's grand-daughter, Janie Marie Stewart, married Seymour Adams and the name of the property changed.

Toquin, the little rural town in which the old homestead stands, has changed more than the old house. Once a promising little community served by the old house. Once a promising little community served by freight and passenger trains, boasting a post office, pickle factory, hotel, school and a church, it is now merely a small general store beside the railroad track.

Old Chief Toquin, of the Potawatomi Indian tribe, for whom the town is said to be named, lived just a short way east of the present general store when Adams was a boy. Adams said he can remember tourists coming to see the Indians and buying baskets from them.

GROVE IS GONE

Seventy acres of the original farm is still owned by the family and general farming is practiced.

Gone is a grove of chestnut trees and a big rock where the children used to gather and crack the nuts.

"There's been a lot of living here," Adams said. "It's still a good old house and with a little care it should be good for another hundred years."

Bicycle
Rider Hit
By Auto

Driver Was Girl's
Brother-In-Law

SOUTH HAVEN — Mary Jo Diebold, 18, of rural South Haven, was hospitalized here last night after the bicycle she was riding was struck by a car driven by her own brother-in-law in South Haven township, state police said.

Miss Diebold was listed in fairly good condition today at South Haven Community hospital. Hospital personnel said she was suffering from leg, head and back injuries.

Police said the accident occurred at the intersection of Blue Star Memorial highway and M-140 around 10:20 p.m.

Miss Diebold was on her way home from her job as waitress at the Red Carpet Lounge when her bicycle was struck by a car driven by Elmo Gene Maxwell, 38, South Haven.

Police said it was raining and the girl was dressed in dark clothing, making it difficult for her to be seen in the dark.

Mattawan
Youth Jailed
In Paw Paw

PAW PAW — A rural Mattawan youth was jailed yesterday on charges of indecent liberties involving a four-year-old girl.

State police said Paul M. Strong, 17, Almena drive, Mattawan, was arraigned before Justice David Smith of Paw Paw on the charge.

Strong waived examination and was bound over to circuit court. Bond of \$5,000 was not immediately furnished, and Strong was lodged in the Van Buren county jail.

Burnette
Retains
Road Post

Choice In Future
May Be Made By
Popular Election

By BILL HAMILTON
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PAW PAW — The Van Buren county board of supervisors yesterday elected Bill Burnette of Hartford to succeed himself on the county road commission, casting a unanimous ballot.

The election was accomplished with little discussion after Bloomingdale Supervisor Llewellyn "Bud" Page withdrew the name of Ralph Remington from nomination to the post. Page said he withdrew the name in order to preserve harmony on the board.

The election had been postponed from last month, after Supervisor Gene Kays had demanded a roll call ballot on the election. In the past, election has always been by secret ballot by supervisors.

Covert Supervisor Jerry Sarno moved to have the legislative committee bring in a recommendation within 60 days to provide that in the future, road commission members be elected by popular election by the people of the county. The motion was supported by Kays, who said it was a "wonderful idea."

SLOW ACTION
Kenneth Judd, Arlington township, called on the board not to make a hasty decision on the matter. Alfred Healy of Gobles moved to table any action for a month, and the motion carried.

The board was notified that the contract between the welfare department and the American Legion hospital for hospital care of welfare and social aid patients had been cancelled, because of a jump in rates charged by the hospital.

Frank Terrell was appointed dog warden for the county for the coming year. No action was taken on suggestions for changing the lines of authority of the job.

SCHNAKE COMMENDED

A resolution of appreciation and commendation was passed by the board for James Schnake, South Haven township supervisor, who did not seek re-election this year.

A resolution was also passed concerning the trip made by the board last month in touring the county roads as guests of the Legion.

A donation of \$500 was made to the Southwest Michigan Growers experimental farm at Sodus, and approval was given for the social welfare department to pave the parking lot and driveway of the site near Hartford, at a cost not to exceed \$2,244.

Bills of \$16,051.87 were authorized for payment.



BILL BURNETTE
Retains road post

Boy, 5,
Run Over
By Truck

Watervliet Child
Suffers Broken Leg

Five-year-old Tommy Owens, route 1, Watervliet, suffered a broken leg Wednesday when a truck driven by his grandfather backed over him while he was playing in his yard, Berrien sheriff's deputies reported.

The boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Owens, was apparently playing behind the truck when it began backing up, Deputy Ronald Immoos said. He was taken to Watervliet Community hospital for treatment and then released.

Vets Day
Services
Are Slated

Paw Paw Legion
Issues Invitation

PAW PAW — Annual Veterans' Day memorial services in Paw Paw will be conducted in the courthouse park tomorrow at 11 a.m., under the sponsorship of McGowan-Johnson Post No. 68 of the American Legion.

Commander Warren Jungel of the McGowan-Johnson Post today issued an invitation to all citizens of the area to participate with the Legion drill team in memorial services.

Tomorrow is the 48th anniversary of the signing of the armistice which ended World War I. "Today," said Jungel, "with over 300,000 United States men and women engaged in the Viet Nam conflict, Veterans' Day has a special meaning. I urge every citizen of Paw Paw to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the men and women who have served in the armed forces of our country defending our way of life against all aggressors, in all wars, both hot and cold."

Traditional memorial services to be performed by the state Legion runner-up firing squad champions from Paw Paw included the flag raising, presentation of a memorial wreath, the firing of three volleys, followed by the sounding of Taps.

Correction
On Vote For
Van Buren

PAW PAW — In yesterday's story concerning the voting of four Van Buren townships on the question of annexing to Southwestern Michigan College, a line left out of the last paragraph made it read incorrectly. It should have read:

"In the coming election (on a Van Buren college), Porter and Decatur townships will vote on the proposal. Keeler and Hamilton townships, originally scheduled to be a part of that vote, will be excluded because of their decision yesterday to annex to SMC."

Payless Payday

OTTAWA (AP) — An estimated 100,000 federal employees won't be paid for the next few days and scores of government contractors are waiting for overdues payments because of a parliamentary impasse facing the government. Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson's minority Liberal government,



NILES TRUCKER KILLED: Eldon Ritchie, 46, of Niles, driver of this truck, was killed early Wednesday when his vehicle and two others were involved in an accident near Hammond, Ind., on Interstate 80-94. Police said Ritchie's truck cab disintegrated as it slammed broadside into a truck driven by Charles Chandler, 24, Marion, Ind. Another trucker, John Mattimore, 36, Kalamazoo, suffered slight injury when he swerved his rig off the freeway to avoid hitting the wreckage. (AP Wirephoto)